



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: June 7, 2011

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Transportation Division, Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Agreement With The Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District For Transit Services

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council authorize the Public Works Director to execute a two-year Master Agreement (Agreement) for fiscal years 2012 and 2013, in a form of agreement acceptable to the City Attorney, with the Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District (MTD) for transit services in an amount not to exceed \$1,391,521 for Fiscal Year 2012.

DISCUSSION:

The Fiscal Year 2011 Master Agreement with MTD for the Downtown/Waterfront Shuttle and the Commuter Lot Shuttle expires on June 30, 2011. The MTD Board approved the renewal of the Agreement at their May 31, 2011, meeting and is requesting that the City also approve the renewal for two years.

This agreement is for services that are not funded directly by Measure A, the replacement to Measure D, which expired on March 31, 2010. MTD became a direct recipient of Measure A funds on April 1, 2010. The City's financial support for the Crosstown Shuttle, Mesa Loop, and Lines 1, 2, and 3 ended on March 31, 2010, and financial support for Lines 6 and 11 ended on June 30, 2010. Under the Measure A Investment Plan, MTD receives 26.05% of the City's Measure A funds directly from the Santa Barbara County Associations of Governments to pay for the above-mentioned transit services.

Downtown/Waterfront Shuttle

MTD will provide between 13,500 and 15,088 hours annually for the Downtown/Waterfront Shuttle. The operating subsidy will remain at the Fiscal Year 2011 level of \$1,188,180. MTD will provide the City with the actual shuttle fare as a credit to the monthly shuttle service invoice. The City's estimated annual revenue from the shuttle fare (i.e. "Fare Box Revenue") for Fiscal Year 2012 is \$120,000. The operating subsidy that the City provides to MTD is considered to be a fare "buy down",

reducing the shuttle fare from \$1.75 to the current rate of \$0.25. MTD's hourly rate for Fiscal Year 2012 will be \$78.75.

Commuter Lot Shuttle

This Agreement also allows 2,537 hours of service for the Commuter Lot Shuttle between the Cota and Carrillo Commuter Lots and Downtown businesses. Of these service hours, 1,265 will be applied to the Crosstown Shuttle for service to the Cota Commuter Lot. The proposed Fiscal Year 2012 Commuter Lot Shuttle Service Agreement has an hourly subsidy of \$80.15. The total operating subsidy for the Commuter Lot Shuttle will remain at the Fiscal Year 2011 level of \$203,341.

Funding Provisions

The total City funds for this Master Agreement are:

<u>OPERATING SUPPORT</u>	<u>Fiscal Year 2012</u>
Downtown/Waterfront Shuttle	\$1,188,180
Commuter Lot Shuttle	<u>\$203,341</u>
Total:	<u>\$1,391,521</u>

Proposed Source of Funding:

<u>Fiscal Year 2012</u>	
Measure "A" Fund (Operations)	\$577,545
General Fund (Transfer from RDA Fund)	\$300,000
Downtown Parking Fund	\$393,976
Fare Box Revenue (Credit)	<u>\$120,000</u>
Total:	<u>\$1,391,521</u>

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT

The transit support provided under the terms of the Master Agreement contribute towards the City's goal of increasing the availability of public transit, thereby making the use of a car a choice, not a necessity.

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